

House File 2050 - Introduced

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BY SCHICKEL

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to certain meetings of members of the general
2 assembly and open meeting requirements.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
4 TLSB 5179HH 82
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1 1 Section 1. Section 21.2, subsection 1, Code 2007, is
1 2 amended by adding the following new paragraph:
1 3 NEW PARAGRAPH. i. Either house of the general assembly, a
1 4 standing committee of either house of the general assembly, or
1 5 a joint conference committee. "Governmental body" includes a
1 6 political party caucus of members of a house of the general
1 7 assembly.
1 8 Sec. 2. Section 21.5, subsection 1, Code Supplement 2007,
1 9 is amended by adding the following new paragraph:
1 10 NEW PARAGRAPH. 1. To discuss campaign or political
1 11 strategy.
1 12 EXPLANATION
1 13 This bill expands the definition of a governmental body
1 14 subject to the open meeting requirements of Code chapter 21 by
1 15 including within that definition either house of the general
1 16 assembly, legislative standing committees, and joint
1 17 conference committees. A political party caucus of either
1 18 house of the general assembly is specifically included in the
1 19 definition of a governmental body.
1 20 The bill adds an exception to the open meeting requirements
1 21 for discussions of governmental bodies involving campaign or
1 22 political strategy.
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